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MOVEMENTS OF SOVIET UNITS IN POLAND

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FOLLOWING ARE DETAILS OF REPORTS ON TROOP UNITS OF THE NORTHERN GROUP OF FORCES FROM 22 TO 29 OCTOBER 1956:

1. THE OPERATIONAL STAFF OF THE NORTHERN GROUP OF FORCES FROM LEGNICA (LIEGNITZ) WAS OBSERVED IN THE LODZ AREA ON 22 OCTOBER, IN THE SIERADZ AREA ON 23 OCTOBER, AND IN THE LEGNICA AREA ON 25 OCTOBER. ELEMENTS OF THIS STAFF WERE OBSERVED IN THE AFTERNOON OF 24 OCTOBER IN THE JAROCIN AREA, IN THE EVENING OF 24 OCTOBER IN THE POZNAN (POSEN) AREA, AND ON 25 OCTOBER PRESUMABLY WERE IN THE CHOJNICE (KONITZ) AREA.

2. THE TWENTIETH TANK DIVISION FROM NEUHAMMER WAS OBSERVED IN THE MORNING OF 24 OCTOBER IN THE KROTOSZYN AREA, PRESUMABLY ON ITS RETURN FROM THE KOLO AREA, AND ON 25 OCTOBER WAS SEEN IN THE LEGNICA AREA.

3. THE 25TH GUARDS MECHANIZED DIVISION FROM GROSS BORN WAS IN THE AREA NORTH OF KOLO ON 22 OCTOBER, IN THE NAKLO AREA ON 24 OCTOBER, AND IN THE CHOJNICE AREA ON 25 OCTOBER.

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4. UNIDENTIFIED SOVIET UNITS IN THE WEST OF WARSAW WERE SEEN FROM 19 TO 22 OCTOBER NEAR PLOCK, KUTNO, WLOCLAWEK, AND LIPNO, WITH CONNECTION TO THE GRODNO AREA; ON 24 OCTOBER SOUTHEAST OF CHOJNICE, WITHOUT CONNECTION TO GRODNO; ON 25 OCTOBER IN THE AREA SOUTHEAST OF CHOJNICE, WITH INDICATIONS THAT THEY WERE ATTACHED TO THE 26TH GUARDS MECHANIZED DIVISION.

COMMENT: ON 22 OCTOBER, SOVIET TROOPS STATIONED IN POLAND ASSEMBLED IN THE AREA OF LODZ, KOLO, PLOCK, AND TORUN (THORN), WITH ADVANCE DETAILS OF THE 26TH GUARDS MECHANIZED DIVISION PRESUMABLY BEING IN PLOCK AFTER 19 OCTOBER. THE CONNECTION TO GRODNO PRESUMABLY MEANT CONTACT WITH THE ADJOINING WHITE RUSSIAN MILITARY DISTRICT. THE 20TH TANK DIVISION WAS PRESUMABLY LOCATED IN THE AREA SOUTH OF KOLO, AND THE 26 TH GUARDS MECHANIZED DIVISION IN THE AREA NORTH OF KOLO. AFTER 23 OCTOBER UNITS STARTED RETURN MOVEMENTS TO THEIR POSTS, AND THE B K PROBABLY HAD ARRIVED THERE SOON AFTER 25 OCTOBER.

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